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Dear Dr. Zaluski:

In response to the recent downgrade of Montana's brucellosis status, effective immediately, cattle coming from the State of Montana must meet the following requirements:

Cattle interstate regulations for Class A states and states that have been brucellosis free for less than 24 months remain restricted. All beef cattle eighteen (18) months of age and older will be required to have a negative brucellosis test within thirty (30) days of shipment unless they originate from a brucellosis free herd. All dairy cattle must be official calfhood vaccinates and have a negative brucellosis test if eighteen (18) months of age or older within thirty (30) days of shipment **OR** originate from a brucellosis certified herd. All cattle will require a prior permit number which can be obtained by calling (404) 656-3667. All dairy cattle six (6) months of age and older require a negative tuberculosis test within sixty (60) days of shipment unless originating from a tuberculosis accredited herd. Beef cattle originating from a tuberculosis free state are exempt from tuberculosis testing.

Please pass this information along to practitioners in your state.

Sincerely.

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